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On Monday, January 13, eleven volunteers from Pocahontas County took bus for Clarksburg where they were inducted into the army service. They were:

839-V 6 Bert H. Waugh
540 V 7 Jacob Woodrow Shinn-
berry.
836 V-11 Wayne Geiger
641-V 12 Jacob Gene Loury
130-V 13 Ralph Leon Long
.V-14 Wm. Raymond Bowers
V 15 Howard James Kelley
718-V-16 Roy J Houchin
421-V-19 Joseph Leonard Moses, Jr
10-V 21 Arch Waybright
694-V 22 Norman Wilson Phillips

On Thursday, January 16, another soldier will go out to Clarksburg under the selective service, in the person of 348-V-9 Thurl William Gary.

In about five hours the young volunteers were in Clarksburg at the induction station. They will be sent from there to army posts to be thoroughly and properly trained for our and their own protection should war be forced upon us. Naturally I was interested in the going out of a company of volunteers eighty years ago from this County. This company, the Pocahontas Rescuers, took about a week to march eighty miles, to learn war in the raw. So—

Muster roll of the "Pocahontas Rescuers" mustered into service on May 18th, 1861.

Captain, Stofer, D. A. 1 pr gloves, 25. b

Lieutenant, C. J. I. Skeen, b
O. Sergeant, Slarker, D. W. C.
Musicians, Roby, Walter R, b
Ervine, Wm. H.

Privates, Akers, James
Alderman, Andrew C.

Angus, Timoleon
Boon, Beverly, b
Burr, George
Burr, Frederick

Carpenter, Wm H, b
Corbett, Muscoe
Cole, Wm.

Cash, George, 1 shirt \$1.25, b
Friel, Montgomery B.

Grimes, Peter
Gannon, Cyrus S.

Grandfield, John b.
Griffin, Matthias P.

Helwick, Amos
Herold, Charles B.

Herold, Benjamin F.
Hogsett, William B. b

Hanes, Isaac B.
Hannah, Robert A. b

Hannah, Joseph b
Henson, William
Hamilton, Adam G

Jackson, Joseph I
Jordan, Joseph D. b
Lynn, Ezra

Moriarty, Patrick, pr shoes, b
McLaughlin, James H, b
McLaughlin, Hugh
Moore, Michael, b
Moore, Levi
Mitchell, Sylvester, b
Piles, Wm. L
Piles, John
Pence, John H
Swadley, James
Smith, Lewis, b
Siyey, Cain H, 1 shirt \$1.25
Slavens, Wm. W
Seebert, Lanty L
Shannon, James, b
Sharp, Martin B
Varner, Daniel A, b
Whollihan, Michael
Whollihan, Patrick
Waugh, Levi, b
Weaver, Charles W. 1 pr gloves, 25 cents, b

Weaver, Robert L, b
"b" signifies that they have received blankets.

The Pocahontas Rescuers marched from Huntersville about 10 a. m. on May 18, 1861. A large crowd of ladies and gentlemen were present and at the moment of marching hardly an eye that was not wet with tears. Many gentlemen and ladies accompanied us to the Bridge. Then the Rev. Mr. Flaherty addressed the crowd and all meekly bowed the knee in the public road while he fervently addressed a prayer in behalf of those marching and of the parents and friends left behind. Halted at night in front of William Gibson's and the company were entertained by Mr and Mrs Gibson, John and John B. Hannah and I. M. Hogsett.

Sunday 19th— After the company attended church at I. M. Hogsett's and heard a patriotic sermon from Rev. Flaherty, they marched to J. Varner's. Just as the company arrived the Cavalry under Captain Mc Neel came in sight. They were received with all honor. The company then heard a sermon from Rev. J. E. Moore and were dismissed and entertained by Jno Varner, Josiah Herold, Colonel Gatewood at Big Spring, John Bath-Cavalry and Company. Then across the Mountain to Marshall's. Rain during the evening and all night.

Monday 20th— March resumed at 6 1-2 a. m Halted an hour at J. W. Marshall's and marched to Jacob Conrad's; 15 staying overnight at John Conrad's, a few going with John McLaughlin, 5 to Snyders and the rest quartered upon Jacob Conrad. Rained at intervals all day.

Constitution Of The Company
Article 1—This company shall be known by the name of Pocahontas Rescuers.
Article 2—The regular musters of the said company shall be held on the

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first Saturday in the month of April, May, June, August, September and October and the July muster shall be held on the 4th day of the month, save when the 4th happens to fall on Sunday, when it shall be held on the 5th.

Article 3—All fines assessed against commissioned officers for failure to attend muster shall be \$5 00; non-commissioned officers \$2 50; privates \$1 25.

Article 4—All fines assessed shall be for the benefit of the company, to be disbursed whenever the amount of \$20 or more shall be found in the hands of the treasurer unappropriated, by a vote of the Company. The majority ruling, if it is considered practicable.

Article 5—This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time by vote of two thirds concurring at a regular meeting, when a majority is present.

Article 6—There shall be a president, secretary and treasurer chosen by the company, who shall hold their office for one year, whose duties shall be those usually performed by such officers.

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